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Responsive to the Office Action of **December 6**, 2000, the period for response having been extended two (2) months until May 6, 2001 (Sunday), the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

or disclaimer to the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend the claims as follows. For the convenience of the examiner, attached hereto is a marked-up copy of the claims as amended.

> (Amended) A liquid crystal device comprising: 31.

a pair of substrates;

a liquid crystal layer comprising a ferroelectric liquid crystal provided between said

substrates, said liquid crystal layer not having a helical structure of said ferroelectric liquid crystal

between said substrates;

a grain comprising a resin;